

### **REMARKS**

Claims 3, 5-9, 20-32 are now pending in the application. Claims 1, 2, 4, and 10-19 have been canceled. The Abstract and Claims 3, 6-9, 20 and 22 have been amended. Claims 23-32 are newly presented. Support for the new claims and bases for the foregoing amendments may be found throughout the written description, drawings, and claims as originally filed and as such, no new matter has been presented. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the rejections in view of the amendments and remarks contained herein.

### **ABSTRACT**

The abstract stands objected to for certain informalities. Applicant has amended the specification according to the Examiner's suggestions. Therefore, reconsideration and withdrawal of this objection are respectfully requested.

### **CLAIM AMENDMENTS, NEWLY PRESENTED CLAIMS AND ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER**

The Office has noted that Claims 5, 21 and 22 have been allowed and that Claims 3 and 20 would be allowable if rewritten in an independent form that includes all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Applicant notes that Claims 3 and 30 have been amended in the manner and as such, Applicant respectfully submits that Claims 3, 5, 20 through 22 are in condition for allowance. Claim 22 has been amended to correct an informality in the claim.

Applicant notes that Claims 6-9 have been amended to depend from Claim 5 and as such, Applicant respectfully submits that these claims are in condition for allowance.

Applicant notes that newly presented Claims 23 through 25 ultimately depend from Claim 5 and as such, Applicant respectfully submits that these claims are in condition for allowance.

Applicant notes that newly presented Claims 26 through 32 depend from Claim 3 and as such, Applicant respectfully submits that these claims are in condition for allowance.

#### **CONCLUSION**

It is believed that all of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all presently outstanding rejections. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action and the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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